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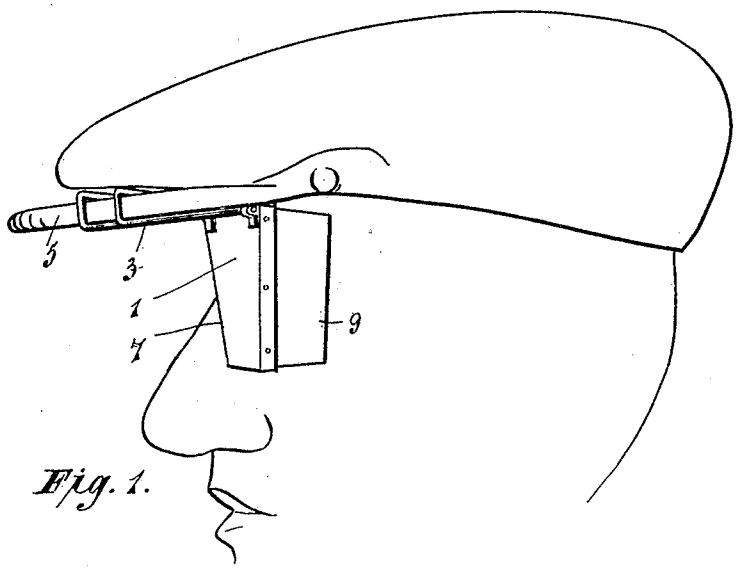


Fig. 1.

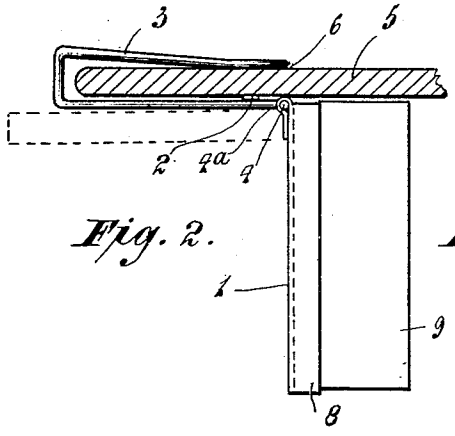


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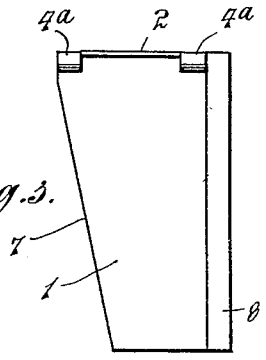


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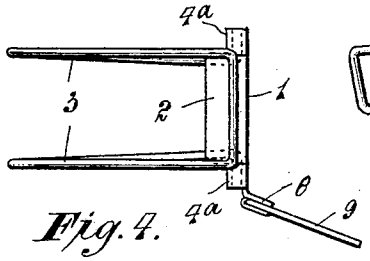


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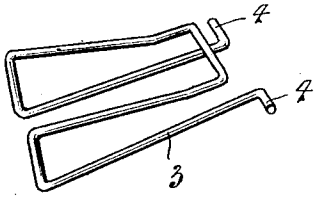


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This invention relates to shades for the eyes worn upon a hat or cap, and provides a shade which enables a golf player to observe the slightest movement of the head throughout the swing of the club, although concentrating his gaze on the ball.

It is well known that all players of golf realize that a perfectly still head is of paramount importance in the timing and the making of a correct golf swing.

According to the present invention, the device consists broadly of a shade member connected to a clip by means of which it is attached to the head-dress of a player such as to the peak of a cap or the brim of a hat, so as to assume a vertical position laterally to an eye of a player in order to limit his vision on the side on which the shade is worn, and to indicate to him any movement of the head during the swing of the club.

An approved form of the invention will be described with the aid of the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a view showing how the shade is worn by the player.

Figure 2 is a side elevation of the device in position on the peak of a cap.

Figure 3 is a front view, and

Figure 4 is a plan view.

Figure 5 is a perspective view of a clip for securing the shade to the head-dress of a player.

Referring to the drawings, the device consists of a shade member 1 having a tongue 2 at its top edge bent outwardly. A wire spring clip 3, formed as shown in Figure 5, has pivot ends 4 pivoted in eye sockets 4*a* formed on the top front edge of the member 1 on each side of the tongue 2 which limits the opening of the shade to the position shown in Figure 2. The device is placed in position by passing the peak 5 of the cap or brim of the hat into the clip 3 through the space 6 between the top of the clip 3 and the tongue 2, as shown in Figures 1 and 2. The inner lateral edge of the member 1 is angled as shown at 7 so that when the head of the player is bent, such edge is practically parallel with the surface of the ground.

In use, in the case of a right handed player, the shade would be placed on the left side of the head against the left eye, the correct position being obtained by closing the left eye and picking up some object as far to the left as possible, then arranging the shade so that the same object can be picked up with both eyes open, at the same time keeping the shade as far to the left as possible. For a left handed player, the opposite edge to the edge 7 would be angled.

The shade, when not in use, can be rotated on its pivots 4 and assumes the position shown in dotted lines in Figure 2.

The member 1 may be provided with a tongue 8 at an angle thereto carrying a rubber piece 9 which lies against the side of the face to prevent light coming in from the rear of the device.

What I claim is:—

An eye shade comprising a shade member, a spring clip for attaching said shade to a normally substantially horizontal disposed forwardly extending portion of a head covering, said spring clip being formed from a single length of wire bent to provide upper and lower jaw portions for engagement with upper and lower surfaces of the forwardly extending portion of the head covering, a pivotal connection between said shade member and the lower jaw portion of said clip, and a tongue on said shade member disposed at substantially right angles to the plane of the latter so as to lie flat against the underside of the head covering when the shade member is disposed normally vertically to hold the shade member in such position, and to engage at its edge with the underside of the head covering to hold the shade member in a substantially horizontal inoperative position.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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